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### **VIOLENT CRIME RATE DOWN 19% IN CARLSBAD**

During the first half of 2011, crime in Carlsbad increased by a modest 1% when compared to the same period in 2010. The total number of FBI index crimes increased to 987 from the 982 recorded in the same period of 2010.

**Violent Crimes:** Most notably, the violent crime rate in the first half of 2011 decreased by 19%. The violent crimes category includes homicide, rape, robbery, and aggravated assault. In the first half of 2011, 78 violent crimes were recorded, down from 95 in 2010. Aggravated assault was down 12% at 59 in 2011, compared to 67 in 2010 and robbery was down 41% at 13 in 2011, from 22 in 2010. The violent crime rate is comparatively low, reflecting only 7% of the total FBI index crimes.

**Property Crimes:** Property crime rates increased 3% in the first half of 2011 to 909, from 886 in 2010. Property crime, generally a crime of opportunity, includes burglary, larceny/theft and motor vehicle theft. Non-residential burglary decreased 14% to 63 in 2011, from 73 in 2010. Notably, residential burglary increased 40% to 139 in 2011, up from 99 the previous year and stolen vehicles increased 37% to 67 in 2011, up from 49 in 2010. Both residential burglary and motor vehicle theft had reflected record lows in the past years.

"The Carlsbad Police Department maintains a full service police department, working hard to keep Carlsbad safe", said Crime Prevention Specialist Jodee Sasway. "Residents should feel safe living in our community but should continue to take precautions by removing the opportunity for crime in order to reduce the risk of crime. The police department has many programs and services to assist community members in preventing crime but teamwork is vital. Working together, we can maintain the safe quality of life Carlsbad community members and visitors enjoy."

For crime prevention information go to [www.carlsbadca.gov/crime-prevention](http://www.carlsbadca.gov/crime-prevention) or call 760-931-2105. To report suspicious activity when it is taking place call 760-931-2197.

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***January to June 2011 FBI Index Crimes***

CLASSIFICATION	YEAR- TO-DATE	LAST YR- TO-DATE	CHANGE*
HOMICIDE	2	0	200%
RAPE	4	7	-43%
ROBBERY	13	22	-41%
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	59	67	-12%
<i>Violent Crime</i>	<i>78</i>	<i>96</i>	<i>-19%</i>
BURGLARY	202	172	17%
Residential	139	99	40%
Non-Residential	63	73	-14%
LARCENY/THEFT	640	665	-4%
STOLEN VEHICLE	67	49	37%
<i>Property Crime</i>	<i>909</i>	<i>886</i>	<i>3%</i>
<b>FBI INDEX CRIME TOTAL</b>	<b>987</b>	<b>982</b>	<b>1%</b>